OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5601

AN ACT CONCERNING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TECHNICAL REVISIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION AND ELECTIONS STATUTES.

SUMMARY:

This bill makes technical changes to the government administration and elections statutes. It removes obsolete references to the State Ethics Commission, which was eliminated in 2005, and replaces them with references to its successor, the Office of State Ethics (OSE). Additionally, it corrects a statutory reference concerning OSE's authority to discipline lobbyists for certain campaign finance law violations.

The bill also deletes an obsolete reference to a Department of Administrative Services plan for eliminating the use of disposable and single-use products in state government. The requirement to develop this plan was removed in 2012.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage, except that two of the ethics provisions are effective October 1, 2013, and a technical elections change is effective July 1, 2013.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Government Administration and Elections Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 13 Nay 0 (03/04/2013)